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Application No.: 10/713,879

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DUAL TAPERING AN OPTICAL WAVEGUIDE

(title)

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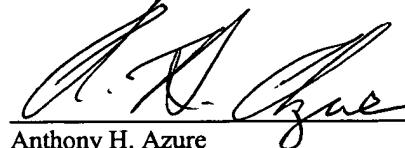
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 19, 2005, the Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendments and to consider the following remarks.

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